

**DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES REGULATION
RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF PHARMACY**

Minutes of Meeting

Thursday, December 18, 2008

OPEN-SESSION

The Open Session Meeting of the Board of Pharmacy was called to order at

8:30 am on the above date in Room 401 Conference Room at the Department of Health, 3 Capitol Hill, Providence, Rhode Island, pursuant to the applicable provisions of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, as amended Kathy Kettle, Chairperson, presided.

Members Present

Kathy Kettle, Chairperson

Jonathan Mundy, Secretary

Richard Hathaway

Chris Albanese

Michael Cacchiotti

Kelly Orr

Karen DiStefano

Member Not Present

Robert Boisvert

Felix Baez

Staff Present

Catherine Cordy

Lynn Garberg

Call to Order

Chairman Kathy Kettle called the meeting to order at 8:30 am.

1.0 Minutes

The minutes of the Open Session Meeting held November 18, 2008 were reviewed. D. Hathaway moved to accept the minutes, as amended. J. Mundy seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

2.0 Administrative Issues

Announcements:

Communications:

Issued Pharmacy Licenses

Pharmacy Technician 1s:

Alves, Dalida

Ayotte, Francois

Benson, Constance

Brooks, Jessie

Brown, Bernice

Buffardi, Matthew

Colon, Jennifer

Conley, Dorothy

Dalti, Chelsea

Dirksmeier, Rory

Falvo, Jean

Fluette, Emilie

Galligan, Toshia

Gardner, Loretta

Giwa, Taiwo

Jamison, Marianne

Langley, Kathryn

MacFarland, Debra

Marshall, Katherine

McLaughlin, Gloria

Medina, Vanessa

Milner, Geoffrey

Munoz, Nayrobi

Norton, Amy

Paquin, MaryAnn

Philippe, Sophia

Plozai, Joseph

Ramos, Miriam

Rossi, Kristin

Sanzi, Marjorie

Shepard, Renee

Tejada, Gloria

Thayer, James

Tompkins, Sarah

Turbides, Emmanuel

Underhill, Hazel

Zullo, Andrew

Pharmacy Technician 2s:

Bertoni, Kimberly

Michel, Patrick

Rodrigues, Matthew

Pharmacy Interns:

Lachance, Erica

Lowe, Kimberly

Migneault, Emma

Pharmacists:

Krajeski, Cassandra

O'Lavin, Emmanuelle

Pharmacists (90-day Temporary):

Loethen, Kellye

Procaccianti, Christina

Pharmacists (Reinstated):

Medeiros, Paul

Pharmacy Non-Resident:

SaveDirectRx, Inc.

Schraft's A Walgreens Specialty Pharmacy LLC

Manufacturer In State:

Apria Healthcare, Inc.

Collegium Pharmaceutical, Inc.

Manufacturer Out of State:

ALK-Abello, Inc.

Biotest Pharmaceuticals Corporation

Fenwal International, Inc.

Wholesaler Out of State:

AmerisourceBergen Drug Corporation

Apac Packaging LLC

Abbott Laboratories, Inc.

AmerisourceBergen Drug Corporation

Apac Packaging LLC

Butler Animal Health Supply, LLC

PSS World Medical, Inc.

Smith Medical Partners, LLC

Southern Anesthesia and Surgical

3.0 Old Business

RIUCSA – Review Proposed Language: Copy of law distributed to board members for review.

Report – Subcommittee – Code of Ethics: Board discussed mission of subcommittee and decided that Code of Ethics statement and Pharmacist Right to Refuse shall be two separate issues. Jonathan Mundy will schedule subcommittee meeting sometime in January 2009 and topic will be discussed at January BOP meeting.

Report – Non dispensing pharmacies – Draft Language Review: Board members reviewed amended language that would allow pharmacy call centers (non-dispensing pharmacies) to remain unlicensed entities, but those pharmacists providing pharmaceutical care to RI patients or pharmacist providing services from RI to out-of-state patients require RI licensure. Board voted unanimously to support proposed regulations.

3.0 New Business

Rite-Aid Dispensing Tracking Software Overview: Postponed to January 2009.

Physician Approval/Immunization Program: Present protocol to Dr. Gifford. Have one standard state protocol for pharmacists. Letter to be drafted requesting Dr. Gifford provide standing order for

pharmacists to immunize adults.

E-Prescribing Committee Report: Cathy Cordy and Kathy Kettle attended meeting. Discussion involved electronic standards. Goal is 100% compliance.

Womens' Health Initiative/Report: Kathy Kettle attended meeting. Issue was Plan B. Systems should be in place for patients to get prescriptions. Next meeting will be held January 7, 2009 at 3:30 at the Rhode Island Department of Health.

RWMC-Proposal for Services at Elmhurst Extended Care: RWMC requested review of plan to provide pharmaceutical services to Elmhurst Extended Care. Hospital will provide services through contractual arrangement; nursing facility is currently owned by Hospital. Current regulations provide for contractual arrangement of this type.

Waiver Extension Request/RIH/Sterile compounding: Board voted to grant a 12 month waiver. Request appearance July 2009 for progress reports.

5.0 PIC Appearances:

6.0 Adjourn to Executive Session

Pursuant to Sections 42-26-4 and 42-46-5 of the RI General Laws for the purpose of discussing job performance, character, physical or mental health of applicants for licensure and licensees; and investigatory proceedings regarding allegations of civil or criminal misconduct. Said individuals have been notified in advance by writing that they may request that the discussion be held in an open meeting.

K. DiStefano moved to close the Open Meeting and adjourn to Closed Session Meeting, in accordance with Section 42-46-5(a)(1) and (4). D. Hathaway seconded the motion that was carried by seven ayes.

The Open Session adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

7.0 Return to Open Session

8.0 Final Actions

9.0 Adjourn

D. Hathaway moved to close the Open Session. K. DiStefano seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

The Open session adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Garberg, Confidential Secretary